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Bulgarian navigational aids study complete

by Jack Rankin **ESC** Public Affairs

A six-month study encompassing all aspects of navigational aids and landing systems has been completed and the final report was formally accepted by the Republic of Bulgaria in ceremonies held recently in Washington, D.C.

Conducted by Electronic Systems Center under the direction of the Department of Defense, the study focused on both enroute and terminal area navigation and landing systems.

The study report includes recommendations for modernizing Bulgarian military airbase and aircraft systems, based on U.S., North Atlantic Treaty Organization and International Civil Aviation Organization requirements.

The modernization requirements for

Airfield Lighting and Voice Communications were extensively studied and recommendations to satisfy the U.S. NATO and ICAO interoperability requirements are contained within the final report, including recommendations for a phased-implementation approach.

substantive recommendations resulting from the study will assist Bulgaria in modernizing its navigation and landing systems, based on realistic timelines.

The modernization effort will improve the margins of flying safety for U.S. and NATO aircraft in the Bulgarian area of operations.

Site-surveys were conducted at three Bulgarian airfields, Kamenetz, Bezmer and Graf Ingnatievo.

Graf Ignatievo, located in the vicinity of Plovdiv, is geographically positioned to provide landing, takeoff and maintenance

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Time again for annual commuter survey

by Jeff Wallace

66th Civil Engineer Squadron

Once again it's the time of year for the Civil Engineering Environmental Flight to conduct the annual Employee Commuter Survey.

The survey is scheduled for the week of Sept. 14 to 18 and is being conducted in accordance with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Air Quality Rideshare Regulations.

One of the criteria for compliance is quantity of employee responses to the survey questionnaire. Historically, base employees have shown excellent participation.

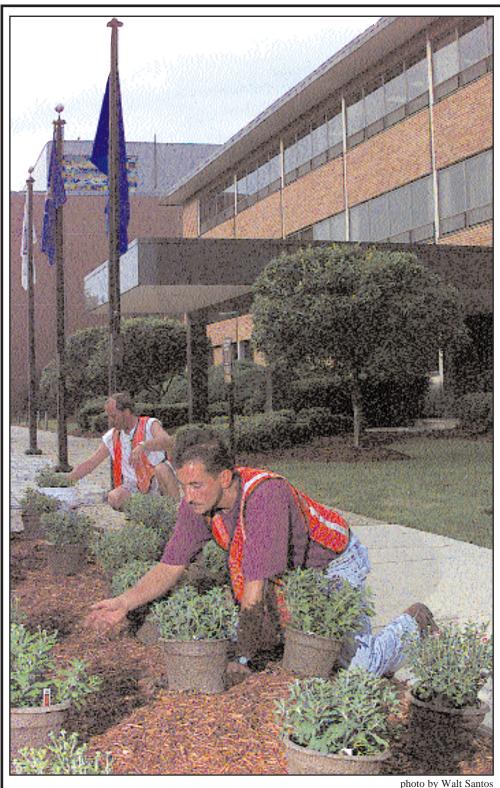
According to the Rideshare Regulation, the base is required to question all of its employees with regard to the modes of transportation being used to commute to and from work. The percentages of employees using each mode of transportation is then calculated and submitted to the department.

Some modes of transportation include single occupancy commuter vehicles, carpools and mass transit. Employees are asked to keep track of the modes of transportation they use during the week of Sept. 14 to 18.



Questionnaires will be distributed to each employee at some point during the week. By simply answering the questionnaire and returning it to 66 SPTG/CEV, employees will be further enhancing the base's environmental compliance status.

For questions regarding the survey or the Environmental Flight's Rideshare Program, call 3-2904.



Summer's over ... get ready for Fall

Thomas Louro (right) and Frank Seavey from the 66th Civil Engineer Squadron change the plants in front of Bldg. 1606. The chrysanthemums being planted were chosen because they can stand up to the brisk fall weather in New England. The mums will give Hanscom its last splash of color before everything turns bright white.



Voter assistance week starts

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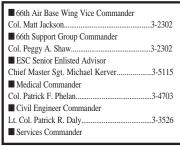
Acquisition staffs and SPOs start working on **Value Chains**

Straight

Straight Talk provides two-way communication between Hanscom's 66th Air Base Wing commander and people on base.

A 24 hour-a-day telephone line and E-mail account (STRAIGHT TALK) are set up as ways for Hanscom's population to submit questions, complaints or comments, anonymously, if desired. All concerns are personally re-

viewed by the wing commander. However, the quickest and most efficient way to communicate comments or complaints is to go right to the source. To assist you, we've listed points of contact and telephone numbers for several key support organiza-





Col. Chris T. Anzalone 66th Air Base Wing Commander

Also, don't forget your supervisor, commander or first sergeant they're there to help you.

If you are not satisfied with the response you receive, or are unable to solve the problem, please call the Straight Talk hot line at

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Maj. Chris P. Wright	3-3901
■ Mission Support Squadron Commander	
Maj. Darrell P. Keating	3-8875
■ Security Police Commander	
Maj. Roger A. McNeal	3-4150
■ Communication, Information Division Director	
Lt. Col. Diana M. Youngs	3-7500
■ Civilian Personnel Division Director	
L. Fay Striker	3-2723
■ Logistics Squadron Commander	
Lt. Col. Donald A. Flowers	3-3461

Kudos for Scott

I'm getting ready to PCS to San Antonio and I just wanted to leave Kudos to Scott Craver over at the Youth Center who has done a great job working on the baseball fields here at Hanscom.

I've been involved with coaching the All-star team and we go to different ball fields across the area and Hanscom by far has the finest facility for baseball around. That's all due to Scott's efforts. I just wanted to pass on much appreciated thanks to Scott and the rest of Team Hanscom.

Scott Craver does an excellent job and puts a lot of hard work and effort into making the youth fields a great place for Hanscom's youth to play sports.

Also, I'd like to thank you and all the great coaches of Hanscom's youth sports. Our youth programs are definitely a team effort and you make them a success along with our super Youth Center staff. Our Fall youth sports program is ready to start...soccer season begins on September 12th and we're always looking for coaches, referees and enthusiastic parents. If vou're interested in volunteering, give the Youth Center a call at 3-3739.

Thanks for passing on some well-deserved kudos! Good-luck in your new job.

Where can I skate?

I'd like to know if we're ever going to get a skateboard park here at Hanscom. Thank you.

We have examined many options attempting to bring a park to Hanscom.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to build a skateboard park here. Simply put, we were unable to resolve two compelling issues: First, an open, unsupervised park has safety and liability issues, which we are unable to overcome at this time. Second, a supervised park simply cannot sustain itself as a business operation in terms of profitability, given the size of our base population that would make use of this park.

To better accommodate our skateboarders, our Youth Center will be offering more trips to local skateboard parks. Watch the Hansconian for further announcements in the Services "What's Happening" section under Youth

What about MediaOne?

My question and concern is the cable service on base. There are a lot of people who want to know if we can go to MediaOne, which is a better service than the current cable carrier, because they are around 24 hours a day to make service calls.

Media One is not offered in this area. The cable system offered in base housing derives from the ngton cable system covered by Cable Vision.

After speaking with a CableVision representative, we were told that they do, in fact, have technicians on-call 24 hours a day. If you have any cable problems you can call them at 862-6585. Their normal office hours are 7 a.m. until 11 p.m. From 11 p.m. until 7 a.m. an answering system is available to pass on service requests to on-call tech-

Basic allowance for substance being revised

Department of Defense's basic allowance for to catch up to the enlisted allowance. substance program will break the link between BAS and basic pay.

This is also the first step toward correcting pay inequities and ultimately providing BAS

Changes began Jan. 1 and are being phased in over the next four to six years. The transition will end when enlisted BAS rates are equal to the U.S. Department of Agriculture food cost index.

During the transition, a partial subsistence allowance is being paid to airmen directed to use base dining facilities. The amount is based on the difference between BAS and the equivalent value of government provided meals. It is about \$9.30 a month for 1998, but will eventually increase to about \$30 per month.

At the end of the transition period, rather than being tied to annual basic pay increases, the subsistence allowance will be set at the halfway point between the USDA's moderate cost food plan and liberal food plan for a male in the United States ages 20 to 50.

Based on realistic costs and USDA figures, Air Force officials expect the annual rate to increase rather than fall. During the transition, increases will slow to 1 percent for both offi-

WASHNGTON (AFNS) -- Reforms in the cers and enlisted members to allow the index

Once the transition is complete, partial BAS will end and all airmen will be entitled to full BAS at their respective rate. This will mean one rate for all enlisted, rather that the five rates currently used, and a separate rate for of-

At that time, enlisted people directed to use the base dining facility at their permanent duty station will have three meals a day deducted from their pay at the basic daily food allowance rate.

Also under the reform, the secretary of defense has re-defined field duty and sea duty to enable people to continue drawing BAS, although they must pay for available meals.

Field duty of less than 180 days entitles enlisted airmen to the appropriate level of BAS in effect the day before deploying. Airmen receiving full BAS will be charged the discounted rate for all available meals. This is now \$6 per day. Those drawing partial BAS will not be charged for available meals while in field

Officers will continue drawing BAS at \$155.70 per month. In field duty and sea duty, they will pay for all available meals at the rate of \$6 per day.

Study list available for '99 testing cycle

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, http://www.afpc.mil/testing/. **Texas** (AFNS) — Promotion-eligible enlisted members can now find which ment Course study material, when republications to study for the 1999 testing cycles.

The WAPS Catalog, which lists the publications used to develop promotion tests, is now available on the Air Force

Although WAPS Career Developquired, is automatically shipped to eligible members by the ECI, enlisted personnel must check the WAPS Catalog every year to ensure they obtain and study the current references which Personnel Center web site at often include non-CDC publications.

Great honors

Air Force Vice Chief of Staff Gen. Ralph E. "Ed" Eberhart visited Hanscom Tuesday to present a \$2000 Air Force Association scholarship check to Natasha Snelgrove. A recent honors graduate of Nashua High School, she plans to attend James Madison University in Virginia.



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To place an ad, first complete a classified ad form. Forms are available in the ESC Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 1606, Room 109, or through the LAN at:

Next, mail the form through BITC to ESC/PA, fax a copy to Theresa Feely at 3-5077 or hand-carry it to the above location. Deadline is noon Friday.

For more information, call the Hansconian office at 3-3912.

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Will Y2K affect health industry? Water quality improves

Only 490 days left

by 2nd Lt. Max McFarland

Year 2000 Infrastructure Program Manager

The Year 2000 problem affects every industry that uses any type of information technology. In few industries is the Y2K problem as critical to identify as it is in the Health Industry.

Bob Bennett, Sen. chairman of a special Senate Committee on the Year 2000, stated in his opening remarks at a recent committee review of the health industry, "If tonight when the clock struck midnight the calendar flipped to Dec. 31, 1999, large portions of the health care system would fail. There are some 6,000 American hospitals, 800,000 doctors and 50,000 nursing homes, as well as hundreds of biomedical equipment manufacturers and suppliers of blood, pharmaceuticals, linens, bandages, etc., insurance payers, and others that are not yet prepared."

One instance of the danger the Year 2000 problem poses to medical negatively impact our people's lives. If you Year 2000 problem, however some equipment more information. used by doctors to monitor and change pace-

ant. If items like these remain unfixed lives could be in danger.

The Air Force and Hanscom health commu-

nities realize that the Year 2000 can impact many different types of devices and pose grave danger to personnel. To reduce these impacts they have been rigorously working the problem.

Our own Hanscom clinic has just finished a survey and assessment of all of their medical equipment, billing equipment, facility equipment, computers, network and emergency vehicles. Our team of medical professionals also took on the challenge of insuring that the Tri-Care contract for this region included a clause that required all servicing facilities to be Y2K compliant.

The Year problem is receiving increased media attention.

The Year 2000 team here at Electronic Systems Center is dedicated to ensuring that the problem does not

devices is the problem with pacemaker moni- have a question regarding the Year 2000 and tors. Pacemakers themselves do not have a how it might impact you please call 3-6018 for

Please send any article comments or sugmaker operating conditions may not be compligestions to: McFarlandM@hanscom.af.mil.

Chloramine to be added to drinking water

by Capt. Jerry Bogert

Bioenvironmental Engineering

The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority is making some important changes to improve protection against harmful waterborn bacteria.

By increasing chloramine (a combination of chlorine and ammonia) and pH levels in its drinking water, MWRA will reduce the tendency of water to leach lead from houshold plumbing. While this is great news for most, it can have an adverse

Water containing chloramines is no different than chlorinated water for most normal uses and is perfectly safe to drink. In most cases, the digestive system neutralizes the chloramines before they can be absorbed into the bloodstream.

Water users who would be sensitive to chloramines, changes in levels of pH, alkalinity, such as kidney dialysis patients, should consult with their physician or health care provider to see if they will be affected.

However, the presence of chloramines and higher pH levels can also harm fish and other aquatic animals. Because chloramines easily pass through fish gills, special measures must be taken before using chloraminated water in fish tanks. Anyone with an aquarium should review these changes, test the water in your aquarium regularly and take appropriate action.

Chloramines must be removed from water before it is used in aquariums. Chloramines do not effectively dissipate in the air and are not efficiently removed by boiling or aerating the water.

There are basically two methods for removing chloramines:

- ☐ Adding specific agents that remove chloramines and ammonia
- ☐ Using a high-grade granular activated carbon filter

It is important to remember that a dechlorinating agent will only neutralize the chlorine portion of the chloramines not the ammonia. Additional steps must be taken to remove the ammonia. There are commercial products available to be used as dechloraminating agents that remove both chlorine and ammonia.

Keep in mind, ammonia removal is particularly important in water with a high pH level. As the pH increases, the percentage of un-ionized ammonia (toxic form) also increases. Commercial products, biological filters, natural zeolite, and pH control methods may be effective in reducing the toxicity of the ammonia.

Regardless of the method you use, it is essential that your aquarium water is regularly tested to ensure that the particular method being used is effective. Consult your local pet store professional for the test kit and treatment method which is best for you.

If you have questions about these changes in water treatment, call MWRA at 508-820-1527 or 617-727-5435.

UMass Lowell expands computer classes on base

by Celeste Brooks

66th Air Base Wing

UMass Lowell continues to meet the demand at Hanscom for college computer classes, holding five classes on base

The classes offered are: Communications Network Management from 5 to 8 p.m. on Mondays; Intro to C Programming, Part II from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays; Intro to UNIX Operating Systems from 5 to 8 p.m. on Wednesdays; Advanced Database Applications from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays and Cobol Legacy Systems from 6 to 9 p.m. on Fridays.

Advanced Database Applications is a new course on base. Building on the fundamentals of database technology learned in Relational Database Concepts, it continues database design concepts using more advanced techniques. Students will learn to develop logical database designs for realworld business conditions and use advanced design techniques to create effective Graphical User Interfaces.

Students may register for all of these classes until Sept. 1. There will be a fee for late registration. People may register at the Enrollment Services Office at UMass Lowell from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays. Call (978) 934-2700 for more in-

All of these classes may be applied to a Data Telecommunications certificate, a UNIX certificate, a Computer Proficiency Certificate, or a bachelor's degree in Information Technology. For more information and course descriptions, visit the UMass Continuing Education Web http://www.uml.edu/DCE or call the Education Center at 3-3120.



photo by Linda Labonte Britt

Combat wedding

Friends and family gathered Aug. 21 for a combat wedding held in the 66th Security Force Squadron building. Dressed in BDUs, Staff Sgt. Jeff Curry and Senior Airman Ramona Slack exchanged vows. With a patrol car for a limo, and the squadron (left) as their chapel, this is definitely a wedding to remember.

For his proposal, Slack was dispatched to an "emergency." On the way she came across Curry enroute with flowers and ring in hand.



photo by Walt Santos

Navigation (from page 1)

with NATO is an important component of our objective to support flight safety and modernization in Bulgaria." said Thomas Longstreth, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for European and NATO Affairs in presenting the final study results to Col. Kostadin Stoyanov, Bulgarian Air Force Chief of Communications, Information and Navigation Systems.

"We are pleased to be able to provide a framework for future modernization and look forward to working closely with Bulgaria as we address these critical operational and safety issues," Longstreth said.

Elements of the study report have already been implemented and significant improvements are expected in the near future, according to Capt. Shawn Shanley, Navigational Aids Study Team program manager at Electronic Systems Center.

"Bulgaria has already begun intensive English language training for its pilots and ground controllers and is working on its air traffic control voice communication procedures," said Shanley.

Bulgaria has also re-structured its approach lighting system to dardization Agreement 3316 and future," Shanley said.

"Enhancing interoperability has submitted letters of request for tactical air navigation systems, precision approach radars and an approach lighting system.

> The report, extensive in nature, documented current and planned Bulgarian navigation and landing aid capabilities, captured U.S., NATO and ICAO interoperability requirements, assessed Bulgarian capabilities against these requirements, recommended practical alternatives and detailed a phasedimplementation approach for future Bulgarian system upgrades.

> "Working together, we have documented a detailed plan for modernization and have also developed alternatives for future assistance," said Shanley.

> "We will continue to work with Bulgaria to help bring its navigation and landing aid systems up to Western standards. This is a strong step toward increasing safety for Bulgarian and international aircraft throughout the region."

"It was a pleasure to work closely with the Bulgarian team in this important effort. This opportunity allowed for close interaction while we worked the details of the study and led to new-found friendships between our team members from both countries. We desire to bring it in line with NATO's Stan- continue this cooperation into the

Education Fair brings colleges to Hanscom

by Celeste Brooks

66th Air Base Wing

Education Fair at the Officers' Club, searching for a terested in obtaining a commission. college or university Aug. 20.

colleges from Massachusetts and New Hampshire attended the fair, and all of them were pleased with the number of potential students who attended.

"This is the first time the New Hampshire colleges have been invited down here," said Bruce Thompson of Hesser College in New Hampshire. "It's wonderful to have this opportunity to get the information out to reservists and service members."

"It's been well-attended, with a lot of varied interests," said Maureen Karr, Associate Director of Admissions of Rivier College in New Hampshire. "And the facilities are beautiful. We'll definitely come back next year.'

"We're very pleased with the results," agreed Paul Vaccaro, Associate Director of Marketing for near most of America's great institutions of higher Bentley School of Business in Massachusetts. "There appears to be a lot of interest in graduate education, and of Bentley in particular. We're thrilled to have been included here.'

available at the fair, which included undergraduate and graduate degree programs, state and private schools, technical and liberal arts degree programs. Over 185 potential students attended Hanscom's There was even information available for airmen in-

This is very informative. It's great having this There were plenty to choose from as more than 30 many colleges in one place, because it makes it a lot easier to gather information about them," said 2nd Lt. Mike Wagner.

'I'm taking classes now, but I decided to come by and check this out anyway," said Airman 1st Class Tasha Giles. "I'm really glad I did. I picked up a lot of great information and ideas from talking to the representatives here.'

The "behind-the-scenes" crowd of the Education and Training Flight was enthusiastic about the fair's

"It went very well," said Senior Airman Anthony Fleming. "By noon we had matched last year's total number of attendants, so we were really happy.'

"Hanscom folks have the advantage of residing education," said Maj. Rick Keating, the flight's commander. "Our annual fairs provide us with the opportunity to see what these schools can offer us. I'm thrilled with the turnout from both the community The students were also excited over the variety and the schools. What a great partnership."

ESC invited to MITRE half-day training sessions

by Joan Sheldon

MITRE Public Affairs

MITRE will host another series of half-day training sessions open to all ESC personnel on Thursday at two locations in the Main

The sessions held in MITRE S Building, Room 1S100 start at 8:30 of the DoD, including the key dether's Real-Time."

Bush will address the "DoD Federally Funded Research and Development Center Strategic Planning Context." The framework is derived from the DoD's need to create a responsive, integrated C4ISR system. His session will cover major

a.m. Executive Director Ralph sired attributes of the Integrated Command and Control System, and MITRE's initiatives to help the DoD achieve desired outcomes.

The session held in MITRE M Building, Room 0M503 will start at 10:30 a.m. In this session, Doug Jensen will brief "Real-Time for factors driving the future direction the Real World: It's Not Your Fa-

The Pride of "Team Hanscom"

Senior Airman Matthew C. Knoll **Hanscom Clinic**

Duty Title: Radiologic Technologist

Hometown:

Severn, Maryland Birthday:

May 7, 1973 *Family Status:*

Married, with one 3 year-old son

Hobbies:

I like camping and skiing, but rarely find the

Date Arrived Station: Dec. 1, 1995, a very cold, snowy day

My Pet Peeve is: People not showing up for PEA meetings



Last Book Read:

Sad to say but, the PFE Last Movie Watched:

Good Will Hunting Favorite T.V. Show:

Early Edition

Favorite Song:

Stairway to Heaven, by Led Zeplin

Inspirations: The dream of Martin Luther King Jr., and the love of my wife

Best Air Force Mem-

ory: Returning home after Basic and technical school

What Quality of Life initiative would I like to see implemented?

Free use of pool for Active Duty, Retirees and Dependents

Future goals:

To get my CCAF degree

Lifelong dream or ambition:

Complete the Physicians Assistant program, but mostly a long happy marriage.

To submit an individual for the Hanscom Pride section, call Senior Airman Kevin Brooks, at 3-5115

Paralegal courses offered

by Celeste Brooks

66th Air Base Wing

The Education and Training Flight has been working to bring new courses to Hanscom students. One of the newest additions is Middlesex Community College's paralegal program.

Two new classes, Introduction to Law on Tuesdays and Corporate Law on Thursdays will be held on base from 6 to 8:45 p.m. and are open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Introduction to Law will cover law and the legal system, including lawmaking institutions. It will introduce the basics of civil and criminal litigation. Corporate Law provides training in the practical aspects of the Law of Corporations, beginning with sole proprietorship, progressing through partnerships, and ending with the corporation. Classes start Sept. 8. For information, call 1-800-818-3434.

"We're just helping to supplement Western New England's programs on base," said Carlo Squeri, program manager for Business and Industry at Middlesex Community College. He also said the courses are not just for people pursuing a paralegal degree. They would benefit any person who is interested in law or pursuing any type of law degree.

For more information on the paralegal courses, call Squeri at (978) 636-3416.

Parent Teacher Organization hosts annual Ice-Cream Social

Commentary by Chaplain ly. But his dreams for his family did Wyoming and teaches math and teams, knew the teachers, and re-**Gary Smith**

PTO President

Before I tell you about this upcoming event, I want to share with you a personal story as to why I am certificate and the four involved in the Hanscom Parent Teacher Organization.

Senior Master Sgt. Allan DeWald was a mentor and quite a model family man for me years ago at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. He had big dreams for his family and retired in the early 80's to Wyoming where he and his wife wanted to raise their four children. DeWald stressed education, responsibility, and direction to his children.

truck in the rear, killing him instant- a degree from the University of dad coached his children's ball-

not die. They picked up the pieces of their shattered lives. Mrs. DeWald finished her college and obtained her teaching children finished high school and went on to college. The oldest son Duane now teaches at Texas A & M University and pastors a church fulltime. His wife Dawn, also a military child, has a master's degree, is an assistant academic principal and also teaches at Texas A & M University. The second son Daryll is also a professor and teaches at the University of Utah after there for us in school. If we One year after his retirement, a years of published work in cancer needed him, he would come and sit speeding drunk driver hit DeWald's research. The third child Karen has in the classroom with us. Duane's

computer science. The youngest warded his children's accomplishdaughter Kathy (who is deaf) is finishing her college degree in Texas and is an artist. Duane and I are dear friends and I asked him once what he attributed his and his sibling's

successes life to. He said. "My dad was always

ments. Duane said he and his family loved to fish and A's on report cards meant new fishing gear!

Duane's dad was there for his kids in the middle of a successful, TDYfilled career. Add in a mother who kept the family headed in the right direction after the loss of her husband and you have this story of academic success. I am in PTO because of DeWald's example of commitment to his children and their education.

Your child's PTO will be serving some delicious ice cream to you and vour children at the annual Primary/Middle School Ice Cream Social Tuesday from 1 to 2 p.m. at the school campus.

While you are strolling around

and enjoying some Bedford Farms vanilla and chocolate ice cream topped off with whipped cream and sprinkles, there are several things you can also do. The class lists will be posted, the PTO executive officers will be there for you to meet, vou can sign up for PTO membership, and you can sign up for any of the several volunteer positions available in the PTO.

The first 30 people to sign up for PTO membership will receive coupons for Bedford Farms Ice Cream.

Come Tuesday, enjoy some icecream, join PTO, and be there for your child through PTO. Bedford Farms and the Base Chapel are providing the ice-cream and toppings for your enjoyment. You are needed!

Hanscom's North Shore Seahawks to hold tryouts

Pool, Sept. 9-10 from 5 to 6 p.m. Tryouts National, and two Olympic Trial Qualifiers. are open to all swimmers from the base, labs is a non-profit United States Swimming program designed to provide a fun and challenging environment in a quality, competitive setting for swimmers ages 5-19. The Age Group Team Championships. Seahawks coaching staff is a highly experienced, professional and successful group. They provide each swimmer steady progresswimming in a positive and safe environment. The coaches are as follows:

Rich Axtell -Seahawks Head Coach and Administrator, brings 5 years of coaching experience to all levels of the Sea- Axtell at 3-2455.

The Seahawks will hold tryouts for the hawks program. A tribute to his success is a upcoming short course season at the Base long list of Age Group, Junior and Senior

Marc Surette -Seahawks Head Age and surrounding community. The Seahawks Group Coach, has 3 years coaching experience at the U.S.S. level. Marc is one of the most successful coaches in New England. To his credit is a long list of New England

Erin Mosca -Seahawks Assistant Age Group Coach, 3 years coaching experience benefits the Seahawks great success in sion through the stages of competitive the development of recreational swimmers. Erin has developed a long list of swimmers who have progressed to become Age Group Qualifiers.

For more information please call Rich

Election approaches

Military people urged to exercise their rights

by 1st Lt. Shawn Camp- are transferred to a new locabell

66th Support Group

tant to the voting process than taining a driver's license. our civilian counterparts. While we spend time away from you may not revert to the previfriends, family and our homes ous residence without re-estabensuring our country's defense, lishing new physical presence we can't forget our votes are and intent to remain or return. important to the process by which we govern ourselvesone individual, one vote.

be elected. These newly elected our Nation's future. Your vote military service. is critical to this process. The Federal Voting Assistance Program provides Air Force mem- no longer live at that location, bers and their families the opportunity to exercise our rights to vote.

Each unit on base has assigned an individual to serve as efforts, the Air Force Voting Plan has placed special emphasis on Aug. 30 through Sept. 15, duty military personnel may as Armed Services Voters each have a different legal resi-Week. The goal is to have 100 percent of all Air Force memto vote for this year's elections.

ceives queries from members of presence and intent to remain or the uniformed services and their family members regarding their state of residence for voting legal residence of either parent. purposes. While the issue of voting is complex, there are some general guidelines that their own legal residence, which can help you determine your can be different from either parstate of legal residence for voting purposes.

Foremost, you should keep in and intent to remain or return. mind that uniformed service personnel and their family call Campbell at 3-2304 or emembers may not arbitrarily choose which state to declare as their legal voting residence without meeting the state's residency requirement.

You must also have or had home or domicile.

residence at a time, but may 6500, change residency each time you www.fvap.gov.

tion. You must make a conscious decision to change residency; it cannot be done "Let Your Vote Shine!" accidentally. There must be cer-Every November, American cit- tain specific actions which may izens have the opportunity to be interpreted as conscious deexercise their rights to the de- cisions, such as registering to mocratic process. Members of vote, registering a car, qualifythe military are no less impor- ing for in-state tuition or ob-

Once residence is changed,

"Home of record" should not be confused with legal residence. "Home of record" is the This year, 34 US Senators, address a military member had all members of the House of upon entry into the service. It Representatives, and thousands does not change. "Home of of state and local officials will record" and legal residence may be the same address, and usualofficials will pave the way for ly are, when a person enters

> It can remain so even though the person or his/her relatives as long as the military member has not established a residence elsewhere after entering active

If military members change their Unit Voting Officer. The legal residence after entering UVOs are tasked with providing active duty, they may not revert voting registration information to claiming the "home of and Federal Post Card Applica- record" as legal residence withtions for absentee ballots. To out re-establishing physical further focus attention on our presence and intent to remain in or return to that state.

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> Minors typically assume the When they become 18, they have the option of establishing ent, assuming they have met the guidelines of physical presence

For more information, mail at Campbellsh@hanscom.

Other questions may be referred to: Director, Federal Voting Assistance Program

Office of the Secretary of physical presence in the state Defense Room 1B457, The Penand simultaneously the intent to tagon Washington, D.C. 20301remain or make the state your 1155, or by calling toll-free in the states (800) 438-8683 or You may only have one legal (703) 695-0663 or DSN 225or on line via

POW/MIA ceremony rerouts traffic

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Hanscom pride award winners announced

by Susan Doherty Housing Office

Housing Flight announced the winners of the July Hanscom Pride Award Aug. 11.

The Hanscom Pride Award recognizes families residing in government housing for their efforts to improve and beautify the exterior appearance of their homes. The six families selected for the month of July demonstrate consistent upkeep of the appearance of their homes which contributes to

Daniel and Susan Johnson, Battle Road Glen; Tech. Sgt. Robert and Lisa Briggs, Flintlock Ridge; Master Sgt. Vincent and Lisa Devine, Patriot Village; Senior Airman Patrick Steen, Musket Meadows I; Tech. Sgt. Alan and Susan Sady, Musket Meadows II; and Staff Sgt. Raymond and Melanie LePage, Minuteman Park.

The award winners were presented with a variety of prizes, photographs and a certifi-

Room. Six winners will continue to be selected each month through October. We encourage all in the housing community to follow their example.

To assist families in their effort to improve their homes and neighborhoods, the 66th Civil Engineer Squadron Self-Help Store is open to residents who wish to make improvements to their quarters. This store supplies a number of items to improve the

the overall appearance of their neighbor- cate of appreciation at an informal ceremony interiors and exteriors of their base homes. hood. The families selected were Staff Sgt. in the Wing Commander's Conference Items such as paint supplies, shelving, land-Items such as paint supplies, shelving, landscaping timbers and patio blocks are provided to residents to improve their quality of life at no cost to the occupants. The Self-Help Store is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1p.m. Call 3-8225 with any questions pertaining to the self-help program. If you have any questions concerning the Hanscom Pride Award Program, please contact the Housing Flight Office at 3-4590.



photos by Rob Trubia



Senior Airman Patrick Steen, Musket Meadows I



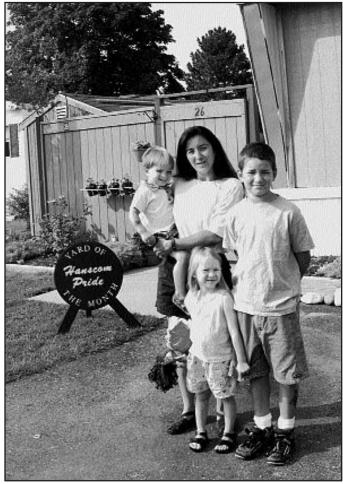
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Tech. Sgt. Robert and Lisa Briggs, Flintlock Ridge



Staff Sgt. Daniel and Susan Johnson, Battle Road Glen



Staff Sgt. Raymond and Melanie LePage, Minuteman Park

Value Chain spreads to SPO, acquisition staff level

by 2nd Lt. Cory Brown

ESC Center Operations

A new organizational concept, the Value Chain is being introduced to the Electronic Systems Center. The challenge in implementing the Value Chain is integrating it across ESC.

It is the job of management to tailor management thinker Michael Porter's Value Chain model for their organization. ESC senior leadership accomplished this with the development of the "Integrated C2" Value Chain. Now it's necessary for acquisition staffs and SPOs to do the same for their organizations.

Upon completion, leadership will be able to map each organization's Value Chain into ESC's. By doing this, every organization within the Center will be defining the value they provide to ESC customers.

A tutorial was presented on the Value Chain (available on CenterNet/CO/Engine Room) Aug. 7. During the meeting, a number of issues were discussed. Among the more significant items are describing how the value chain allows an organization to improve its "total value." Also, outlining the process organizations will use to develop their Value Chains was a featured topic.

The development of organizational Value Chains allows ESC to provide an overall better value to the "warfighter." Value is equal to the benefits minus the costs. There are two ways in which total value can be improved. The first is to improve the product, i.e. increase the benefit to the customer. The second way is to better manage your costs.

Costs are broken down into two categories: product costs and transaction costs. Product costs relate to the creation of

the product such as material and labor costs. Transaction costs involve all the necessary activities to supply the product to the warfighter. Transaction costs exist here at ESC because we are the middlemen between the producers and the customers. A good example would be the 7 percent fee paid to the realestate broker when you buy a house. ESC is the real-estate broker in system acquisition. Unfortunately, many people perceive a transaction cost as a negative thing. No one likes paying the "extra" costs related to acquiring the product, but transaction costs can be a positive thing. They add value by either simplifying the process or providing better information so the customer gets a bigger bang for their buck.

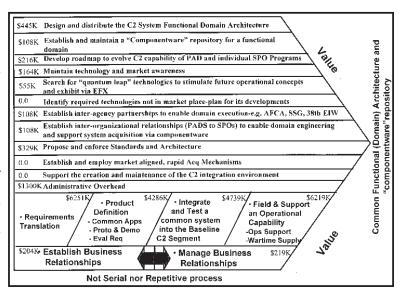
Using the Value Chain is a contradiction to the popular mindset that asks the question, "Did we spend everything in our budget?" What we really need to ask is, "Did we incur costs in a way that provided the best value to our customer?" In order to make sure that the answer to this question is ves. organizations can use the Value Chain to see what activities their people are spending time on.

The drive for a tool such as the Value Chain is an extension of last year's reorganization of ESC. It is the continuous drive to provide the warfighter with better value. The warfighter values an integrated C2 system that provides the benefits of integrated joint standards, faster deliveries, user involvement in development, and experimentation and innovation. How each organization's Value Chain links to ESC's will help shed the "program centric" view and show ular organization contributes to meeting the Chain development process. warfighter's needs.

Outlining the process of developing a Value Chain is important to organizations. The Global Grid PAD assisted with the development process and thus created their Value Chain. This Value Chain is portrayed in diagram 1. Crosscutting activities, which are the activities that "cut across" the primary value categories, enhance the primary activities. The Product Area Directorate has twelve cross-cutting activities. They looked at their organization and focused on those activities that cut across every office in the PAD.

These twelve activities were designated as the cross-cutting activities because they have high potential impact on the customer's perceived value, or they contain a growing proportion of cost. The PAD chose not to make any further breakout of the direct activities.

An organization's crosscutting activi-



graphics by 2nd Lt. Cory Brown

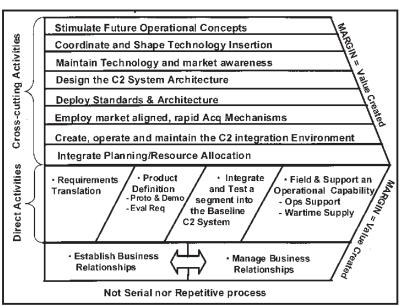
them how the valuable activities of their partic- The Global Grid Product Area Directorate assists with the Value

enhance only one or two direct activities in the ESC Value Chain. If this is so, it may choose to not include those activities from the ESC Value Chain that they do not contribute to. In any case, an Acquisition staff or SPO's Value Chain should not combine two ESC Value Chain activities. In addition, once each organization has completed its Value Chain, the amount of people and money contributed to each activity can be portrayed.

Everyone must remember that the Value Chain is not an organization chart. It is a tool to determine your primary and support activities, which provide benefit to your customer at a cost. The difference between the benefit and the cost is the value to your customer. Once resources are allocated using the Value Chain, organizations will be able to show where people and costs are expended.

One important exception to this drive for integration is the reality that there are activities performed which do not fit in the ESC's Value Chain, and this is certainly acceptable. Those offices accomplishing activities which provide value outside of the ESC C2 Integrated System are simply part of a different Value Chain, i.e. supporting Value Chain. The center's leadership realizes this, but it is still important for offices to develop a Value Chain so that they can see what their support activities are and where support resources are allocated.

At this very moment, each organization is developing their Value Chain. If you are interested in reading more information on the Value Chain, please visit the CO section on CenterNet. There, you can find definitions, visual aids, and more detailed explanations. To get to the CO website, go to CenterNet, click on Organizations and then click on Center Operations on the left side of your screen. Once at CO's homepage, click on "Engine Room."



ESC leadership developed the "Integrated C2" Value Chain to tailor value chains to individual organizations.

Hanscom all-star softball team goes to AFMC tournament

by Capt. Bill Zimmerman

Force Protection C2 Systems



Sharp Grant throws the ball across the diamond.

Eglin Air Force Base dominated the Air Force Material Command Men's All-Star Softball Tournament held at Eglin July 13. Super-power Eglin, was a "three-peat" winner leading the Hanscom Minutemen tied for 6th place with a 6 - 6 record. This was Hanscom's best tournament finish in many

Hanscom surprised many teams with their er's pool and limited playing time "outstanding" effort and team play. The team had many great performances led by All-AMFC-Tournament team member Capt. Grant Sharp. Clutch hitting and great playing by Tech. Sgt. Terry Baker, Staff Sgt. Donny Joles, Staff Sgt. Bob Boyea, Staff Sgt. Daryl Helbing, Staff Sgt. Vince Travali, Capt. Eric Wilson and Bobby Pope were critical in all the team's victories. Superb pitching by Staff Sgt. Mike Mungillo kept the Minuteman in many games.

Defense and hustle were the trademark of Dave Villareal, Dan Smith, Mel Tillman and Randy Roberts.

The team started slowly with a 16-0 loss 13-team to Kirtland. Up next was Arnold AFB. field. Our own Hanscom rebounded with a 15 - 1 win to start a string of 5 consecutive wins. The tournament highlight was the hard fought 22 -17 win over Hill AFB — payback for a crushing defeat last year. After the 1st 2 days Hanscom had raised a lot of eyebrows with its 5 –1 record and tied for 2nd place.

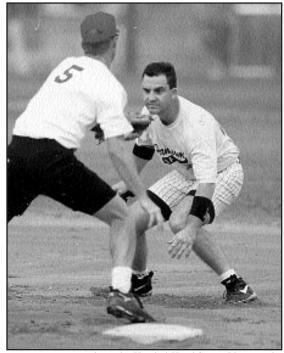
> Unfortunately, the "Big" teams were still left to play. Hanscom put on a valiant effort over the final days; however, a small play-

prior to the tournament finally took its

Heart-breaking losses to McClellan (2nd place), 16-13, and Wright-Patterson (3nd Place), 20 -15, were tough to overcome. The final tournament game was played against the powerhouse Eglin team. Hanscom gave a valiant effort; however, Eglin was just too strong to overcome.

The AFMC sponsored tournament is a great opportunity for fun, sportsmanship and the opportunity to showcase one's talents. Hanscom made a great showing and we're looking for an opportunity to improve.

Now's the time for people to think about playing on next year's team, with several losses to PCS and separation more players are always needed. Thanks to all the team members for playing a great tournament. Thanks for the great support from the 66 SVS, Vehicle Operations and the team to the tournament.



photos by Hand n' Hand Sports Photography Travel Company for helping get the Tech. Sgt. Terry Baker tries to slip around the

Hanscom Blue Devils capture league crown

by Staff Sgt. Brenda N. Verbeck

66th Logistics

The Hanscom Blue Devils softball team completed the 1998 season with 11 straight wins and captured the Middle-Essex League title.

The Blue Devils, who outscored their opponents 145-32, while finishing 12 and 1 used strong pitching, good defense and excellent hitting to share their first championship.

"The pitching of Laura Fleming and Tracy Rautenberg, who combined for 169 strikeouts and only 22 walks was sound, but the infield defense of Caitlin Romano, Jill Annunciata, Rachel Tolan, Christine Comerford and Angell Cordner was outstanding," said Coach Bob Fleming. "Anytime a team would attempt to get back into a game the girls would clamp down on the defense and shut the door." As good as the defense was, the offense was equally impressive. No less than six players batted over .500 (Rautenberg .520, Tolan .600, Annunciata .586, Comerford .555, Fleming .570, and Romano .500).

"I always knew we could hit and put runs on the board," said Fleming, "I was more concerned keeping the other team off the board. We also had an exceptional outfield of Korinne Burns, Danielle Taubini, Maura Neff, Katy Sykes, Ricel Murphy and 12year-old Ashley Romano.'

Brought up to finish the final six games, Romano hit 3 for 7 with three RBI's and six runs scored.

With talent like this, anyone could have coached and won with

Calendar of Events

<u>Today</u>

Induction Ceremony

The Patriot Senior NCO Association will conduct the annual Senior NCO Induction Ceremony for new master sergeants today at the Enlisted Club.

Social hour will be from 6 to 6:45 p.m., with the ceremony beginning at 6:45 p.m. Proper attire for attendees is semi-formal or mess dress for military and equivalent for civilian guests. The guest speaker is former CMSAF Sam E. Parish. For reservations. contact Master Sgt. Wagner at 3-3462. POC is Master Sgt. Randy Wilson. (3514)

Tuesday

Retirement

Master Sgt. Norman Therrien will retire Sept. 3 at 3 p.m. in the Officers' Club Ballroom. If you would like to attend, contact Therrien at 3-8058 or 1st Lt. John Shirley at 3-8099.

Thursday

Fall registration

Western New England College will hold its general registration for all students Sept. 3 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Room G.

Upcoming and Weeklies

Retirement

Col. Larry G. Roseland will retire Sept. 4 after culminating 27 years of distinguished

service. The ceremony is scheduled for 11 more information. a.m., in the Officers' Club Ballroom followed immediately by a reception. No Technology Expo RSVP is necessary.

POW/MIA ceremony

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Bedford Day

The Frank W. Thompson Lodge will host the Danny Oates 5K Road Race and a pancake breakfast for Bedford Day (Sept 19). The pancake breakfast runs from 6:30 to 10 a.m. at the First Congregational Church, 25 Great Road. Registration for road race is at 8 a.m.. and the race is at 9 a.m. Anyone who wants to run in the race, or would like to donate to the scholarship fund for this race should contact Lisa Ackerman at 781-275-0494.

Pop Warner football

The Lexington, Bedford, and Hanscom Raiders are seeking players between the ages of seven and 14 for youth football. Practice and registration are held Monday through Thursday at Hayden field in Lexington, across from Lexington public pool. Contact Master Sgt. Michael Smith or Senior Airman James Shelton at 3-4526 for

The Hanscom Information Technology Expo will be held Sept. 16 in the Officers' Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All base personnel are invited to attend. This event will feature more than 25 exhibitors demonstrating the latest in computer hardware, software and services.

Crafters needed for show

Hanscom Youth Activities is sponsoring a craft show on Nov. 21 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Hanscom Youth Center. Anyone interested in participating should contact Jessica Kinsley at (781) 274-0189 or JessicaKin@aol.com

Scholarships for Outstanding Airmen

The Air Force ROTC Scholarships for Outstanding Airmen Program authorizes commanders to identify outstanding and deserving Airmen for two to four year undergraduate scholarships.

These scholarships pay for all required tuition and fees and textbooks, but do not include room and board.

Scholarships for Outstanding Airman ROTC winners are required to separate from active duty to accept the scholarship. Once they do, they will receive a scholarship paying full tuition, fees, books and \$150 per

In return they agree to accept a commission and serve on active duty for four years upon graduation (additional commitment may apply to those elected for aviation

duty). Individuals must be commissioned before age 27, and must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5.

Due to the lengthy application process and the time required to obtain Air Force Officer Qualification Test and SAT test results, interested individuals should begin the process now. Applications will be due in September 1998. Interested individuals should call 3-3120 and schedule an appointment with an education counselor.

Family Services seeks new coordinator

The Family Support Center is recruiting for the volunteer position of Family Services Volunteer Coordinator.

Other vacancies include welcoming, office and records committee chairs. Family Services is the hub of activity for families and singles arriving and departing Hanscom.

The volunteer coordinator position is a six month term requiring 15 to 20 hours per week.

Free childcare is provided volunteers.

The coordinator oversees seven volunteer programs, ensuring quality services are provided in the Loan Locker, STRIPES, Layette, Welcome Committee, Office, Playgroup and Brochures. The coordinator will also chair monthly board meetings, organize special events and provide two-way communication between 20 volunteers and the Family Support Center staff.

Candidates should be well organized and have excellent people skills. Computer skills and prior Family Services experience are desirable, but training is available.

Call Sondra Albano at 3-4222 to apply.

Patriot Dining Facility

The weekday hours of the facility are as follows: Breakfast — 6 to 8 a.m.

Lunch -– 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dinner — 4 to 6 p.m. Weekend and holiday hours: Brunch — 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Supper — 4 to 6 p.m.

Today

Lunch: fried fish, spinach ham steaks* lasagna *

Dinner: chili mac, tuna melt*

Saturday

Brunch: tuna and noodles, roast fresh ham³

Supper: chicken Kiev, ham, turkey, cheese cold plate*

Sunday

Brunch: beef and corn pie, bar- roast turkey becued chicken*

Supper: pepper steak, fishwich* Lunch: Monday

roast turkev*

Dinner: baked meat loaf, grilled

Tuesday

Lunch: grilled salmon cakes. scalloped ham and potatoes* Dinner: breaded pork steaks teriyaki chicken*

Wednesday

Lunch: beef enchiladas, tacos Dinner: grilled liver and onions

Thursday

spaghetti with meat sauce, simmered corned beef* Lunch: barbecued cubed franks, Dinner: baked meat loaf, herbed baked chicken*

Items listed with an "*" are "Check it Out" Healthy items. For information on the Patriot Dining Facility or the menu, contact Master Sgt. Harold Warnett at 3-2189. NOTE: Menu items subject to change.

Hanscom School Menu

Monday No School

Tuesday No School

Thursday Lean hamburger or cheeseburger, baked french fries, veggie sticks with dip,

fresh fruit

Friday Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza or fish sticks, corn, fruit cup, popsicle

Colomigil



Theater

Friday 7:30 p.m. ARMAGEDDON - A huge asteroid the size of Texas is headed directly toward earth at 22,000 mph. America decides to send Harry Stamper and a crew of deep-core drillers who are experts in drilling holes in big rocks to destroy the asteroid. PG-13 (sci-fi disaster action, sensuality, brief language) 150 min Starring: Bruce Willis & Billy Bob Thornton

Saturday 7:30 p.m. DOCTOR DOLITTLE - Dr. John Dolittle has everything a man could want. He has a thriving career, a beautiful wife and two unique yet adorable daughters. He is about to sign the biggest financial deal of his life. But, then something strange begins to happen. He suddenly discovers that he can communicate with animals. PG-13 (crude humor and language) 86 min Starring: **Eddie Murphy & Ossie Davis**

Sunday 7:30 p.m. SMALL SOLDIERS - Blending live action with state of the art com-



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puter animation, Small Soldiers is the story of a battle between a small but intrepid band of monstrous looking creatures and a platoon. They are prototypes of the most advanced action figures ever imagined. PG-13 (some menacing action, violence and brief drug references) 109 min Starring: **David Cross, Kevin Dunn**

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Schedule is subject to change without notice. Call 3-7940 for movie information.

Happenings

Employment Assistance

□ Spouse Employment Assistance will be provided at the Family Support Center Monday through Friday. The Career Focus Program Manager will assist spouses with career planning, part-time and full-time employment, long distance job search, resume writing, and job interviewing skills. Call Jacqui Thomas at 3-4222 for an appointment.

□ **Job Search Networking Group** will be held at the Family Support Center on Mondays, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Learn how to explore career and job options, obtain leads on employers and job opportunities, and market yourself effectively. Share your ideas with other career changers.

Fitness Enhancement

□ Videos: "Parenting with Humor" will be shown at the HAWC Monday from noon to 12:30 p.m. "Making Healthy Choices, Healthy Lifestyle" will be shown at the HAWC Thursday from noon to 12:30 p.m.

Equal Opportunity Awareness

□ EO 2000 training will be held in the Social Actions classroom in Bldg. 1217 Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. This is one-time mandatory training for all active duty military members and DoD civilian employees. Call 3-2532 or 3796 to sign up for the class. Come and learn your roles and responsibilities in the world of equal opportunity.

Education Center, Bldg. 1728, 3-2021

☐ The Education Center will administer the GRE General Exams Nov. 9. Individuals interested in taking the exam must register by Oct. 7. Schedule appointments through Education Services at 3-3120. The following subject exams are not available: economics, geology, history, music, sociology. Effective Oct. 1, Coast Guard authorizes the funding of the GRE for Coast Guard service members.

Thrift Shop, 274-8079

☐ In observance of the Labor Day Holiday, the Minuteman Thrift Shop will be closed Sept. 5. Consignments normally accepted on the first Saturday of the month will instead be accepted Sept. 12. The Thrift Shop is now accepting fall items for consignment. For information or to leave a message contact Kelly Comeau, Dawn King, or Lisa Van Biene at 274-8079.

Civil Engineering

☐ The base recycling program contractor will pick up hamper bins or carts Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bins must be consolidated in one location. The building manager must call the recycling office at 3-1582. Leave the building number and location of the carts on your message.

Deadlines are Tuesdays at noon. Messages left after noon Tuesdays will be sent to the contractor for pickup the next week.

☐ The **Family Housing office** will be closed every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. for staff meeting and training. Emergency service can be handled by calling 3-4590. If you have any questions call Kim Kintzel, housing manager at 3-3387. ☐ Household **hazardous waste turn-in** is from 8 to 9 a.m. every Tuesday. This turn-in is available for both on-base residents and base organizations.

For information contact 1st Lt. Brian MacDonald at 3-

Air Force Sergeants Association

☐ The Air Force Sergeants Association holds its monthly meeting the last Tuesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. in the Enlisted Club. The meeting is open to all ranks. For information, call Master Sgt. Rick Hawes at 3-8230.

Patriot Enlisted Association

☐ Open to all airman basics through technical sergeants, ☐ The Hanscom Girl Scouts are a strong organization the PEA is a forum of peers helping our Hanscom com- providing a wonderful avenue for girls to learn new

munity, building teamwork and serving as your voice on Dorm/Housing, Community, and Quality of Life issues. For information, contact Senior Airman Matthew Knoll 3-

□ Next Meeting is Sept. 16 at 3 p.m. in the Enlisted Club.

☐ Riverside Park Fun Day is Sept. 12. The event is free for active PEA members, \$9 for family and guests. E-mail Senior Airman Holly Sullivan if you would like to attend.

Patriot Senior NCO Association

☐ The top three advises commanders and top three members, recommends policy changes

personnel assignment, housing and career development around them.

The association also serves as a base network for problem-solving, encourages comradeship and is actively involved in community affairs. Meetings are on the last Tuesday of every month. For information call Master Sgt. Jayson McPherson at 3-6874.

Company Grade Officers' Council

Upcoming events include our annual picnic Sept. 18. Questions or comments? Call President 1st Lt. Craig Parisot 3-3588, Vice-President 1st Lt. Marty Mears 186-

☐ Check out the council's new Centernet web site at http://esc.hanscom.af.mil/CGOC/orgCGOC.htm. The site is accessible only within Hanscom. This site will serve primarily as a functional site for Hanscom's CGOs.

Anyone with ideas or suggestions about the site should contact Mears at 186-2673.

Officers' Wives' Club

☐ The Officers' Wives' Club extends a warm invitation to those eligible officers' and civilian (GS-9 and above) spouses to become a member. This club hosts a monthly meeting for social and service purposes. In addition, numerous activity groups are offered to our members such as bridge, bowling, antiques, bunko, mah-jong, and book and garden clubs along with others. Diverse volunteer opportunities are available. Consider a membership in this club and experience the many benefits it has to offer you!

For membership information only call Diane Gavornik, Membership Chairperson at 274-8196.

☐ The OWC is hosting a Western Casino Night Fundraising event for all officers, officers' wives' club members and O'Club eligible civilians Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the tennis bubble. This exciting evening includes a western barbecue, line dancing, and casino games for \$15 per person.

For reservations, call Lisa Bednar at 863-8387. OWC members, please call your reservations person.

Enlisted Wives' Club

☐ The Enlisted Wives' Club invites all single enlisted people and enlisted spouses to join the club. Our next meeting will be Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. in the Community Cen-

For information, contact Tricia Kemens at 275-9431 or Celeste Brooks at 274-9039.

Cub Scouts

☐ Cub scouting provides boys a chance to learn and grow in a thriving program that is deep in tradition. If you have a boy interested in scouting or wish to volunteer, call Cubmaster Mark Edwards at 274-9875.

Girl Scouts

Religious Activities

Chapel, Bldg. 1603, 3-3538

☐ Catholic masses: Saturdays at 5 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 and 11 a.m. and weekdays at 12:05 p.m.

☐ Protestant worship: General Protestant Service — Sundays at 9 a.m.; Gospel Service — Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

☐ Jewish services: The first and third Friday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

☐ Eastern Orthodox information contact Tech. Sgt. James M. Boubonis at 274-8714.

☐ For information on chapel services, call 3-3538 or 3-3539.

on community issues and provides a voice concerning skills, make lasting friendships and enjoy the world

Any girl entering kindergarten through high school is welcome to join the fun. Scouts are always looking for adult volunteers.

For questions or to volunteer call 274-0042.

MITRE/ESC Toastmasters

Researchers Toastmasters, celebrating its 42nd year at Hanscom, meets in Bldg. 1618, conference room 314, each second and fourth Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. Guests are welcome.

Miscellaneous

☐ Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held at noon Thursdays at the Base Chapel and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at the Education Center.

□ Patriot Honor Guard Booster Club. The club is open to everyone. The Booster Club meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 3:30 p.m.

For information contact Senior Airman Jennifer Huff at

☐ The **Retiree Activities Office** will continue to offer tax assistance to all eligible personnel throughout the summer and fall months.

Although most taxpayers will not need additional help, some might need to file late returns, amended tax returns and estimated taxes. Assistance with Massachusetts tax returns is also available.

Tax assistance will be available by appointment only. Call the Retiree Activities Office at 3-2476 for an appointment.

☐ The Communications and Information Division Training Office provides many computer based training courses to all government personnel assigned to Hanscom.

This program will allow you to download a training course to your computer and take the course at your convenience. The office has more than 100 courses available covering areas such as Windows NT, Microsoft Office, UNIX, and Networking fundamentals. To establish an account contact the SC Training office 3-1253.

☐ **Army Air Corps** units of ATC will hold a reunion Sept. 16 to 18 in Hyannis, Cape Cod, Mass.

For information, contact:

John D. Baldasare 23 Wager Lane South Dennis, Mass. 02660-2612 (508) 385-4820

People's Corner

AFRL/DET 3

Congratulations to our quarterly award winners: 1st Lt. Russell Shinn and Senior Airman Lovelle Seymore.

46th Test Squadron

Congratulations to Maj. Shannon Sullivan for pinning on lieutenant colonel.



Services

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What's Happening in Services

Auto Hobby Shop Bldg. 1702, 3-2612
☐ Discount Car Wash Tokens.

Get 4 car wash tokens for only \$10 or 10 for \$25. Regularly \$5 each. On sale in most Services Facilities.

☐ The Auto Hobby Shop provides engine analyzing and front end alignments. Call now for an appointment.

☐ Get a free car wash token with every state inspection sticker!

Veterinary Clinc Bldg. 1219, 3-3266

☐ The Vet Clinic will be closed Sept. 4, 7 and 8 in observance of Labor Day.

Outdoor Recreation Bldg. 1531, 3-5316

☐ The **Mini-Golf Complex** will close Sept. 6.

□ Global Volksmarch is Sept.19. Call Outdoor Recreation for more information.

☐ Propane tank refills avail- a Family able at Outdoor Recreation.

Hanscom Library

Bldg. 1530, 3-2177
☐ Story Time for children will move back to Tuesdays, 10:15 daily from 11 a.m. to 10 to 11 a.m., beginning Sept. 8. Children ages 3 to 5 are invited to join us for stories and craft activities.

Did you know it's only \$25 a year to join the Youth price that's affordable.

☐ Registration for Fall instructional classes are now being accepted.

Fitness and Sports

Bldg. 1548, 3-3639
☐ The Fitness and Sports or call for schedule and details of class levels and

Mon. and Wed. from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Classes are free and open to all personnel.

the center. Registration dead- 1. line is Sept. 5. Call for more information.

☐ The basketball court will be Tours,

closed from Sept. 1 to 16 due to Taj Mahal Casino and Resort, routes will be designated for aerobic room. We apologize for any inconvenience.

CDC, Bldg. 1994, 3-7166 ☐ Hourly Care. Looking for hourly care? Then call and let us tell you about our program. We're open from 7 a.m. to 5:30

p.m. Monday through Friday. ☐ Caregiver positions are available. For more informacall the Human Resource office at 3-8741.

Family Child Care

Bldg. 1994, 3-1280
☐ Love working with children? Want to be your own boss and set your own hours? Then give the Family Child Care office a call and learn more about becoming Child Care provider.

> Hanscom Lanes Bldg. 1531, 3-2237

□ Bowling Bingo runs p.m. Win up to \$1,000! Only \$1 per chance.

☐ Sign ups for the fall and winter leagues are now being accepted. Call us Youth Center
Bldg. 1993, 3-3739

☐ Youth Center Memberships. being accepted. Call us for information on intramural, mixed, couples and singles leagues.

☐ Family Bowling is back Center? Get in on the fun at a Saturdays in Sept. Choose from 3 to 5 p.m. or 5:15 to 7:15 p.m Phone reservations will be accepted beginning Thursday mornings

> **Swimming Pool** Bldg. 1550, 3-2455

☐ Due to reduction in the Center offers 12 aerobic Lifeguard staff, the Base classes each week. Stop by Pool will begin winter hours effective Aug 31 to Sept. 4 of Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. ☐ Taekwondo classes are On Sept. 5, 6 and 7 the pool will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sept. 7 will be the last day of the summer season. The pool will close for bub-☐ 2nd Annual USAF Marathon ble installation. Winter sea-

Tickets and Tours Bldg. 1535, 3-3262

plays and more!

court resurfacing. Alternate Sept. 1 to 3; \$149 per person double occupancy, \$209 entrance to free weight room and single and \$145 per person Branson Country triple. Music Spectacular, Sept. 6 to 16; \$999 per person, double occupancy. Hit play Fosse at the Colonial Theater, Sun. Sept. 20 at 2 p.m., tickets are orchestra seats for \$65 per ticket; Viva Las Vegas, Nov. 9 to 13; \$499 per person, double occupancy. Myrtle Beach Escape, Sept. 19 to 25; \$539 per person, double occupancy, \$659 for single. Space is limited on all tours so sign up early! Show your pride spirit for and Team Hanscom...stop by Tickets and Tours and purchase a Hanscom window decal for only \$2. While you are there, check out our postcard selection of Boston and the surrounding

☐ Patriots tickets are available at Tickets and Tours. Tickets are \$45 each and limited to 2 per person for one game during the season.

Flight Training Center Bldg. 1722, 3-5160

Private Pilot groundschool begins the first week of October and runs for 10 weeks. Tuition is \$140 (Active Duty may apply for tuition reimbursement at the Education Center). Pilot kit is \$108 per student. Instrument Pilot course begins the first week of October for 10 weeks at \$140 for tuition and \$99 for books. Each course will meet one night per week from 6 to 9 p.m. For more information call the FTC Manager.

Patriot Dining Facility Bldg. 1515, 3-2189

☐ The next Airman Appreciation Meal will be held on Sept. 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Senior Leadership, Commanders and First Sergeants will be serving. Special meal selections will be offered. Prizes are given away applications are now available at son will be on/or about Oct to E-1 through E-4. SIK personnel will use meal cards and BAS personnel will pay the price of the meal plus a 33% surcharge.

Club Happenings

Patriot Enlisted Club, 3-2123

☐ Steak Night every Tuesday! Menu includes cole slaw, baked beans, onions and mushrooms, potato salad and beverage. \$8 for members and \$11 for eligible non-members. Children's menu available for \$4.50.

☐ Wednesday Night Buffet is 5 to 7 p.m. This is the best deal in town! \$6.95 pp for members, \$3.95 for kids. Surcharge applies.

☐ Tuesday Lunch Buffet, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$5.50 per person, surcharge applies. August menu includes carved beef, red garlic potatoes, green beans, Italian bread, tossed salad and a beverage.

☐ Bingo every Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. A chance to win over \$300 in cash! ☐ Club Card Drawing every Friday night . Win instant cash from the last four numbers of your club card. You must be present to win. If there is no winner, the pot will increase by \$25 each week.

☐ Labor Day All-Niter Sept. 6 beginning at 10 p.m. Members free, eligible non-members are \$8 and guests \$5.

☐ Lobster and Clam Bake, Sept. 11 from 6 to 8 p.m. Reservations are required. \$16.50 for members. Menu includes lobster, clams, corn on the cob, Red Bliss potatoes and tossed salad.

☐ Pig Roast, Fri., Sept. 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. \$16 for members. Enjoy slow roasted stuffed pig, marinated beef brisket, brown sugar baked beans, corn on the cob, potato salad, cole slaw, rolls and butter.

Officers' Club, 3-3799
☐ Join us for Steak Night every Thursday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

☐ Club Catering Services are available for that special party or function. Call Karen Cardoos at 3-9694 for more information. Call now to reserve your holiday functions!.

☐ Sunday Champagne Brunch, Aug. 30. Adults \$9.95, children \$5 (ages 6 to 12) and kids 5 and under are FREE! Served from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Fun continues at Fourth Cliff in the Fall

Fourth Cliff is still "cookin" during the Fall season. September and October is New England's Cranberry harvest time. We will be working with the Cranberry Grower's Association and "Cranberry World" to keep track of the harvest and hopefully direct you to the bogs that are being harvested. Coming in October is our Annual Pumpkin Carving when kids can win prizes!

Fourth Cliff is open year round so take advantage of the Fall and Winter discount specials. Discounts begin as early as Labor Day. Look for our \$uper \$avers and fall and winter specials to \$ave money! Certain restrictions do apply so call us at 1-800-468-9547 for reservations and additional information.



Hanscom's Clubs appreciate members and celebrate the Air Force's 51st Birthday

Join us for a club membership appreciation party and toast the Air Force on its birthday, Sept., 18 at the Patriot Enlisted Club and the Minuteman Officers' Club. Both parties promise to be an evening of food, fun and entertainment! Special drawings will be held throughout the night for club certificates and a grand prize at each club. Winners must be present to win.

Club cards will be checked. At this time, one door prize entry form will be issued to each club member. Club members are encouraged to bring nonmembers with them. As an incentive, an additional entry form will be issued to club members for each nonmember guest the member brings.

The surcharge will be waived for this event, as well as evening dining, but only for nonmembers who come as guests of members. Nonmembers who join during the party will automatically receive two months free dues and be eligible for separate club certificate drawings. Entry forms will be issued when application is completed.

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